VATTAMATHRA DESAM—AMBALLUR VILLAGE—VISIT BY MINISTER

3. Mr. P. Mani *(Kanayannur):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) did the Hon'ble Minister for Rural Development visit Vattamathara Desam in the Amballur village on 12th Medam 1121;

(*b*) had that visit been programmed before;

(*c*) did he receive a petition from the inhabitants of that locality for the improvement of a road there?

Mr. Parambi Lonappen *(Minister for Public Health):*

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The visit was not mentioned in the published programme as it is not usual to note such visits to villages necessitated during camps in the programme.

(*c*) Yes.

ELECTRICITY DEPARTMENT—TRICHUR MUNICIPALITY

4. Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Nellayi):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether the Electricity Department of the Trichur Municipality was working at a loss or profit in the years 1119 and 1120;

(*b*) what is the amount of loss or profit in those years;

(*c*) if it was working at a loss, what are the reasons for the same;

(*d*) what are the arrears to be collected from the consumers till Makaram 1121;

(*e*) what are the liabilities of the Department under main heads;

(*f*) whether the Department supplies current to institutions outside Trichur Municipality;

(*g*) if so, what are the terms of the contract and who is or are the party or parties?

Mr. K. Balakrishna Menon *(Minister for Development):*

(*a*) It was working at a loss in the years 1119 and 1120.

(*b*) 1119. Loss Rs. 21,595—6—8.
1120. ,, Rs. 12,865—2—8.

(*c*) The condition of the engine in the power house and the difficulty in procuring spare parts for them owing to war conditions made the cost of generation of power run high. On the receipt side, there was no corresponding increase in revenue because of the restrictions on house service connections;

(*d*) The amount due from consumers till Makaram 1121 was Rs. 69,164—15—3.

(*e*) Please see Appendix II.

(*f*) Yes.

(*g*) For the names of parties outside the Municipality to whom supply of current is made, please see Appendix III. A copy of the rates and conditions of supply of electricity is placed on the table. Besides these, the Municipality is supplying High Tension Power to Messrs. The Cochin Textiles, Amballur on the basis of a special agreement. A copy of the agreement is placed on the table.

Mr. P. Govinda Menon *(Ernakulam):* Is power being supplied to the Alagappa Textiles, Alagappanagar?

Mr. K. Balakrishna Menon *(Minister for Development):* The power is being made use of by the Alagappa Textiles.

Mr. P. A. Mohamad Ashrof *(Cranganur):* Is it with the sanction of the Government or not?

Mr. K. Balakrishna Menon *(Minister for Development):* It has been brought to the notice of the Government, only recently; it can't be said that it is with Government sanction. The legal issue involved is being considered by the Government now.

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Nellayi):* May I know whether in the contract that was entered into between the Municipality and the Cochin Textiles, the Aglagappa Textiles also has been contemplated?

Mr. K. Balakrishna Menon *(Minister for Development):* That is only begging the question. It has been brought to the notice of the Government and Government are considering the legal issue in the matter.

Mr. P. Govinda Menon *(Ernakulam):* When did the Government get information?

Mr. K. Balakrishna Menon *(Minister for Development):* I want notice.

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Mr. K. Balakrishna Menon *(Minister for Development):* I want notice.

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